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Dear Mr. Dale,

As the chair of the Environmental Health Directors Zoonotic Disease Committee it is my pleasure to write this letter of support for the proposed revisions to the zoonotic disease rules (WAC 246-100-191, Animals, birds, pets – Measures to prevent human disease; and WAC 246-100-201, Birds – Measures to prevent psittacosis) and addition of two new sections of rule (WAC 246-100-192, Animals in public settings – Measures to prevent human disease; and WAC 246-100-197, Rabies – Measures to prevent human disease).

Environmental Public Health staff served on the workgroup and as the Zoonotics Committee Chair, I was asked to participate near the end of the process. We feel that the proposed change update the current regulation, provide some discretion to the local health officer, more closely align with the compendium, and address situations and environments that were not previously addressed in regulation.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on revisions to WAC 246-100-191 and WAC 246-100-210 and inclusion of new sections WAC 246-100-192 and WAC 246-100-197. The Washington State Environmental Health Directors support these rule revisions.

Sincerely,

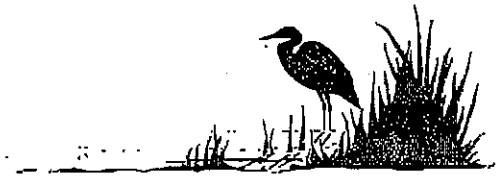
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Comments: Please accept these comments on behalf of
the Environmental Health Directors